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Dear Mr May - Will you beg the Anti Slavery Byle  
to go to Miss Norris direct to Bristol, and not to me  
in Dublin who have no means of sending her paper there.  
I suppose the mistake arose from my sending her name  
on without saying that I got the money & the name from  
Bristol through Mr. Estlin. I supposed it was the renewal  
of an old subscription.

You will also bless me by telling Mrs Paulina Davis  
to send 1 Una to Maria Waring, Rock Cottage, Waterford  
and another to Mary Jough, Camden Street, Dublin. Now  
others need be sent to Ireland to further notice. When a  
great many papers come each with a penny on it they  
mount up to a heavy tax in the course of the year. If  
I can do any thing to promote subscriptions for the Una  
I will be glad to do so.

Will you have the kindness to drop the enclosed  
letters in the post. They are to persons who left Ireland  
some months and have lately written to tell us how  
they have got on. Pay no postage on them - the receivers  
are all sure to be willing to receive them.

I was in London lately in company with Mr  
Thompson, Mr. W. Brown, Edw. Matthews & others. I saw a good  
deal of the new Secretary to the new Broad Street Society.  
I think him an honest straightforward, well disposed  
man - but desirous to help the cause - but I think  
his employers are too old to mend, & I hope little  
from them. They are always, humoring, having, man-  
aging, and manoeuvring, trying to keep their con-  
troversial characters - and looking on the cause as  
a very secondary thing to their own reputations.  
Then the althoing of the members of the Committee  
makes ~~co-operation~~ co-operation with the hetero-  
geneous and difficult. Mr. Charnovozov who  
I understand is more com-  
municative. He must



either swim with the stream or see at his situation  
which is I should think tolerably comfortable and  
on that infer some patterns and importance -  
for the London Secretary of a philanthropic Society is  
to a great extent the Society. No such thing is  
known in London as the free speech, & individual  
action of your Society. Mr Estlin has been  
entertaining the idea of a system of cooperation  
with the Broad Street Society. I am almost sure he  
will be disappointed. What do you think of my  
remarks in the Standard upon the insinuation in  
its columns and in the last Annual Report that the  
new Broad St people were meddling foolishly in  
protesting against the Happed Home Address for its  
insinuation against the immediate emancipation  
principle? We all thought this impudent and untrue  
and that we should have put our adversaries in  
the right in this manner. S. Thompson Mr Estlin  
were decidedly of my view. And Mr Channing was  
greatly pleased to find we were so - He said, "how I feel  
I have found people to deal with".

I hear the advocates who spoken of long many when  
good opinion is worth having - I think it is doing good  
- but I fear its chance of taking hold of the public so  
as to pay its own way is not great. If it could be  
kept alive without being a heavy burden on Mr Estlin's  
liberality I could be satisfied. I would gladly stand  
in this way myself and I think some others would  
too. As Mr Chapman says of the Standard it should  
be kept alive even if it had only a single subscriber.  
It is the only mouthpiece of the true Anti Slavery  
Cause before the people of England, and is constantly  
saying things that the A. S. Reporter could not or wd  
not say.



Your device to save the box of Bells from Boston  
was ingenious - but not successful. Indeed it  
was the books came in as part of a paper  
baggage and were ~~protected~~ smuggled in on some such  
plea of private distribution as that which saved  
the famous great trunkful in 1846, I don't see how  
the officers can help charging the regular rate upon  
the contents of all packages that come. How is he  
to make an exception in consequence of a written attes-  
tation which any one might sign, and which  
could be nothing if it be true.

I find that after  
paying for the freight of the Box from Cork to Boston, ~~and~~  
for the duty & delivery of the contents of the Book Box, &  
for the ~~to~~ 50 copies of the Anti-Slavery Poetical Instruction  
(25 Shillings) that I have about £3.12s. Sterling of value  
in my hands. You will oblige me by giving 120 cents  
to him Davis for each of the 2 Volumes. I have got the  
money and credited it to you. I have dropped his  
Chapman name & adopted yours as the name of my  
financial Boston correspondent.

I think the Poetical  
Instruction cost Miss Ireland nearly 60 each & I did not  
like to make a hard bargain as she is poor and did  
not incur the risk & trouble for any other good than  
to help the cause.

A friend of mine is going to  
Philadelphia. If I can I will get him to take the books  
in, the hope of their going on to Boston by an early  
train.

I like Muller very much and  
think him excellently qualified as a local anti-  
slavery missionary.

When an opportunity offers,  
you will oblige me by sending 1 Siddons, 1 Rogers Speeches  
- and 1 Widd's Anti-Slavery if it can be had. It is an  
object to try to have as many books of reference as  
possible.

Let me know the cost and I will give you  
credit for the amount. - A pamphlet has just  
appeared from a Cambridge graduate addressed  
to the Editors of the A.S. Advocate in opposition to  
the idea of immediate emancipation - I have



only just read a copy than not had time to  
 read it - but the publication of such notices  
 as referred to the Editor shows that the paper is  
 attracting notice and is so far a good sign.

Yours truly

Rich D Webb

Ans. 2. Aug. 1. 1858,